

PRESS RELEASE
INTENSIVE SUMMER COURSE OF ARMENIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
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The 33rd edition of the Summer Course of Armenian Language and Culture organized by the Association "Padus-Araxes" will take place from **July 30th to August 14th**. Examinations on August 14th.

ARRIVALS: July 29th (check-in). DEPARTURES: August 15th and 16th (check-out)

To apply, please fill in the application form you find in our website: **www.padus-araxes.com/SummerCourse/ApplicationForm**. Applications must be submitted PERSONALLY and IN WRITTEN FORM. Applications will be accepted up to the deadline of June 30th. **AGE LIMIT:** at least of **eighteen years of age** (exceptions should be submitted to the Director of the Course).

LESSON SCHEDULE: 65 hours spanned from Monday to Saturday in the mornings. ATTENDANCE of lessons IS COMPULSORY.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (NOT COMPULSORY): courses of **ARMENIAN DANCE, DOUDOUK and ARMENIAN DISHES; TOURS** to the Mekhitarist Monastery of St. Lazarus and to the Armenian vestiges in Venice; **HOLY MASS** in the ancient Armenian Church of the St. Cross (14th c.) and in the Monastery of St. Lazarus for the celebrations of Our Lady's Assumption; **LECTURES** on issues concerning Armenian History, Linguistics and Culture (the programme will be available by the end of January); **EXTRA-TOURS** to the main Venetian cities as Verona, Padova, Asolo (to be planned with the staff).

TUITION FEE: 800 € (including 65 hours of lessons spanned on 13 days, leisure and cultural excursions, cultural activities, extra-curricular courses, didactical material and tutorship, examination certificate). When candidate's enrolment accepted, he/she is required to send 500 € as enrolment fee UP TO FEBRUARY 28th (up to June 30th, € 550). The remnant of the tuition fee must be paid by BANK TRANSFER or ON THE ARRIVAL DAY as BASIC CONDITION FOR ACCESS TO THE LODGINGS. Money once paid WILL NOT BE REFUNDED for any reason. **Please, contact Mrs. Daniela (daniela@padus-araxes.com) in order to get Association's bank details for transfer.** ALL bank charges are at the expenses of the **applicant**. A 10% DISCOUNT is applied to those who have already attended the course, at least twice, with a good result, as well as to any close relatives

LODGING FEE (from the 29th of July to the 16th of August, 18 nights):

- ✓ **980€** for SINGLE room (services included: private bathroom, shared kitchen, AC, WI-FI connection, bed linen and towels, hairdryer)
- ✓ **810€** for DOUBLE room **per person** (services included: private bathroom, private or shared kitchen, AC, WI-FI connection, bed linen and towels, hairdryer).

N.B.: THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ARRIVE EARLIER OR LEAVE LATER THAN THE GIVEN DATES HAVE TO LOOK THEMSELVES FOR THEIR OWN SOLUTION FOR A ROOM ON THOSE DAYS. IF YOU ARE NOT INTERESTED IN LODGING AND YOU CAN MANAGE IT BY YOURSELF, PLEASE LET US KNOW IT AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.

NOT INCLUDED:

- ✓ **MEALS (ABOUT 9/10€ FOR AN ITALIAN FULL MEAL);**
- ✓ **BOAT MONTHLY TICKET (ABOUT 85€; PLEASE, CONSIDER THAT ONE-TRIP TICKET IS 7,50€ AND BOAT IS THE MOST USED AND COMFORTABLE AS WELL AS THE MORE CONVENIENT TRANSPORT IN VENICE CENTRE).**

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS: a limited amount of full and partial grants are awarded by the **Cultural Association Padus Araxes**. Please send your CV, motivation letter and one endorsement letter to the attention of Prof. Boghos Levon Zekiyani (zkybhs@gmail.com) and dr. Benedetta Contin (benedettacon@gmail.com). For full or partial grants you can also apply to the **Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation** (Armenian community department).

For further INFORMATION, send an e-mail to [<daniela@padus-araxes.com>](mailto:daniela@padus-araxes.com) and benedettacon@gmail.com. For urgent information you can call on Monday and Thursday morning from 10.30 to 13.00 **a.m.** at mobile phone +39.347.4562981 and at 8-10 **p.m.** on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (ITALIAN TIME) or at mobile + 39.349.0986027 (Benedetta). BE SURE to take into consideration the time difference from your country. In case we cannot reply, leave a CLEAR, UNDERSTANDABLE message to the automatic answering device of the **mobile phone** giving NAME and PHONE NUMBER. You will be called back.